

Janet Napolitano
Governor

Office of the Governor

*** ALCOHOL & DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH ***

WHEREAS, treatment and long-term recovery from substance use disorders can offer a renewed outlook on life for those who are addicted and their family members; and

WHEREAS, substance use disorders impact 22.6 million people aged 12 or older in the United States; and

WHEREAS, people who receive treatment for substance use disorders can lead more productive and fulfilling lives, personally and professionally; and

WHEREAS, studies have consistently found that individualized treatment is essential for people to be successful in their path of recovery; and

WHEREAS, real stories of long-term recovery can inspire others to ask for help and improve their own lives, the lives of their families, and the entire community; and

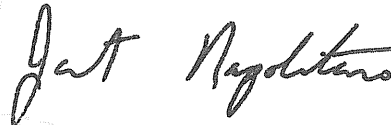
WHEREAS, it is critical that we educate our community members that substance use disorders are treatable yet serious health care problems, and by treating them like other chronic diseases, we can improve the quality of life for the entire community

WHEREAS, to help achieve this goal, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, and the Governor's Office for Children, Youth & Families, Division for Substance Abuse Policy invite all residents of Arizona to participate in *National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month*;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim September 2008 as

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona



GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this thirteenth day of August in the year Two Thousand and Eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-third.

ATTEST:



Secretary of State

